Council to furnish the file, the work of laying the same to be done by petitioners, under the supervision of the Engineer; 4, That the petition of A. Tytler and nineteen others, for improvement on George street between Oxford and Sydenham streets, be granted; 5, That Waterloo street between Central and Princess Avenues, be graded; 6, That the claims of John Bailey, P. Murray, Jas. Boyle and Mrs. McCallum, for destruction of tree guards, to be replaced at the expense of the city; 7, No action re the petition of W. Kern, claiming damages for tree guards; 8, That tree holders desirous of having stone pavements placed in front of their properties be allowed to do so on the following conditions: That tenders be called for the same, and the cost to be borne equally by the corporation and the freeholder, the work to be done under the supervision of the City Engineer, and that a by-law be prepared to the above effect; 9, That an assistant in the City Engineer's office be appointed for one month during the present busy season; 10, That By-laws are submitted for the further restraining of cattle or other animals from running at large within the corporation; 11, That two men be employed by this Council as special constables to carry out the city by-laws, and that the fees, if any, be placed to the credit of the city.

Taken up clause by clause. First adopted and 2nd moved for adoption.

Ald. O'Meara—An amendment that the clause be struck out. No seconder. Clause adopted

Clause 3 read, and moved for adoption.

Ald. Stringer moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the clause be referred back to committee with instructions to bring in a detailed statement of all improvements intended to be made, over and above $16,000 voted by the Council. Lost on the following division: Yeas, Ald. Skinner and Stringer; nays, Ald. Birrell, Hunt, Hyman, O'Meara, Cowan, Browne, Boyd, Becher and Moore.

Clauses 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 adopted.

THE COW BY-LAW

Two by laws were submitted, one covering the whole city, the other extending to Grosvenor street. The by-law intended to cover the city to Grosvenor street was read the first time. Second reading moved.

Ald. Birrell moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Browne that the by law intended to apply to the whole city be read a first time. Carried on the following division: Yeas, Ald. Birrell, Hunt, Skinner, Browne, Moore, Stringer—6 Nays, Hyman, O'Meara, Boyd, Becher and Cowan—5.

Second reading moved.

Ald. Hyman moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. O'Meara, that the by-law be read three months hence.

Ald. Boyd and O'Meara An amendment to the amendment: That the by-law be referred back to committee. Lost on the following division: Yeas—Hyman, O'Meara, Cowan, Boyd and Becher. Nays—Birrell, Hunt, Skinner, Browne, Stringer and Moore.

Ald Boyd raised the point of order that the by-law was not properly before the Council.

The Mayor ruled to be order.

The amendment of Ald. Hyman was then lost, and the by-law was finally read and passed.

Clause 11 read and moved for adoption.

Ald. Boyd moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Cowan, that the clause be struck out. Lost on the following division: Yeas—Hyman, O'Meara, Cowan, Boyd and Becher. Nays—Birrell, Hunt, Skinner, Browne, Stringer and Moore.

The clause was passed and report adopted.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Ald. Becher suggested that No. Two Committee make a report showing the expenditure of the $16 000 granted by the Council.

Ald. O'Meara supported the suggestion, but no action was taken.

THE FLOOD.

On motion of Ald. Hyman, the 84th rule of order in reference to money grants was suspended. He then moved, seconded by Ald Hunt, that $1 000 be placed at the credit of the Central Relief Committee for the benefit of the sufferers by the late flood. Carried.

Adjourned for two weeks.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, August 6th, 1883.

The Board of Aldermen met last night in the City Hall. Present, Mayor Meredith in the chair, Ald. Birrell, Hunt, Hyman, O'Meara, Cowan, Skinner, Browne, Stringer, Boyd, Moore, and A. S. Abbott, City Clerk.

The minutes of last meeting were adopted with a slight amendment.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Jas. Ardell—Complaining that the G. T. R. had exceeded their privileges in putting cars on old oil sidings, and so blocking up certain streets. No. 3.

Phillip B. Richards—Asking remission of taxes. No. 1.

Women's Christian Temperance Union —Asking permission to collect a five cent fee at the band concert on Wednesday night, 15th inst., in Victoria Park. Granted.

John Bermy—Claim for $3, owing to damages to treeguards. No. 2.

Feltham Cricket Club—Complaining that the site for playing on the Exhibition Grounds had been spoiled by Barnum's show. No. 2, with power.

D. McKenzie—Asking that back rent ($6 75) due on market stall be allowed him, owing to illness. No. 1.

J. L. Williams—Letter in reference to back taxes. No. 1, with power.

London Skating Rink Co.—Complaining that Queen's Avenue, south side, needed a gas lamp between Wellington and Waterloo. No. 3.

Chas. B. Reed—Asking that he be allowed to retain a frame stable which he has erected on his premises. No. 3.

A. O. Jeffrey—Asking that the Council order the removal of a porch on that side of the Revere block facing King street. No. 2.

F. C. Wheeler and five others—Petition that a sewer be not constructed on Ridout street between York and King. No. 2.

Brotherhood of Telegraphers—Petition for use of Victoria Park for Friday night, to hold a band concert in aid of the strike. Granted.

Joseph Coughlin and others—Asking for a tile sewer on Maitland street north of Carling. No. 2.

J. L. Williams—Asking reduction in taxes for 1882. No. 1.

D. H. Parry, Secretary pro tem. Board Water Commissioners—Asking that the Council fix the remuneration to be allowed Mr. Jas. M Cousins for superintending waterworks repairs.

Ald. Boyd moved, seconded by Ald. Hunt, that this Board recognize the right of Mr. Cousins to remuneration for services as superintendent, and that the question of fixing the amount be referred to No. 1 Committee. Carried.

ACCOUNTS.

Catholic Record, advertising, $10; Free Press, $319 39; Telegraph Herald, $9 60. No. 1.

SALVATION ARMY.

Captain Hooper and Private Parsons, of the Salvation Army, appeared, asking that they be granted the privilege of playing their drums upon the public streets.

Ald. Cowan introduced a resolution designed to grant the privileges asked, without rescinding the by-law under which recent convictions were made.

Ald. Cowan appealed to the Council, and there was a great difference of opinion as to the interpretation of the by-law given by the Police Magistrate. He finally consented to introduce his resolution in the following form, seconded by Ald. Boyd: "That the by-law be so amended as requested in consideration of the Salvation Army having declared their intention not to obstruct the sidewalks, beat their drums within the barracks, or in any way annoy persons living in the neighborhood, this Council grant the spirit of the petition by removing all restriction to their mode of worship, that they and all other religious bodies be allowed to march in procession, beat their drums and tambourines and play any musical instrument on the Market Square or on any of the streets within the municipality."

Ald. Hyman moved, and Ald. Birrell seconded, in amendment, that the matter be referred to a special committee, consisting of the following members, to report at next meeting: Ald. Birrell, Cowan, Boyd and Hyman.

Ald. Boyd moved in amendment to the amendment, seconded by Ald. Cowan, That a special committee, consisting of the following, be appointed to consider the petition of the Salvation Army: Ald. Birrell, Hyman, Cowan, Skinner and Boyd.

Ald. Hyman then withdrew his amendment in favor of that of Ald. Boyd, which was carried.

SIGNS AND AWNINGS.

A large deputation appeared in reference to the sign by law.

Mr. D. Regan was not aware that any very large number of citizens had asked to have the signs removed. He said signs were necessary to retail dealers, and the signs now used did not obstruct the view and were not a nuisance. Why leave up telephone and telegraph poles, bay windows, balconies, etc.? He knew of no such by-law as this in any other city in the Province. He said some property had asking the intervention of Sir John Macdonald, as it was clearly an interference with certain business privileges. He said signs and awnings should be kept up to a certain height.

Mr. T. F. Kingsmill thought the Council were arbitrary, unjust and invading vested rights. There was no precedent for their action.

Wm. Stively said his sign cost him a good deal and interfered with no one. He said the business men were the backbone of the city and they should be encouraged. This by-law, if carried out, would injury many citizens who paid heavy taxes.